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Senate Bill 50

By: Senators Douglas of the 17th, Rogers of the 21st, Hawkins of the 49th, Schaefer of the 50th, Hill of the 4th and others

AS PASSED SENATE

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

- 1 To amend Code Section 45-17-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 2 qualifications for notaries, so as to provide that a notary shall be a legal resident of the United
- 3 States; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

- 5 SECTION 1.
- 6 Code Section 45-17-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to qualifications
- 7 for notaries, is amended by revising subsection (a) as follows:
- 8 "(a) Any individual applying for appointment to be a notary public must be:
- 9 (1) At least 18 years old;
- 10 (2) <u>A legal resident of the United States</u>;
- 11 (3) A resident of this state;
- 12 (3)(4) A resident of the county from which such individual is appointed; and
- 13 $\frac{(4)(5)}{(5)}$ Able to read and write the English language."
- 14 SECTION 2.
- 15 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.